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NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY

PART I

- ☒ This communication is responsive to a letter received 7-9-97
- ☐ All the claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice Of Allowance And Issue Fee Due or other appropriate communication will be sent in due course.
- ☒ The allowed claims are 1, 3-6, 8-20, 23-26 and 28-37, renumbered 1-32
- ☐ The drawings filed on _____ are acceptable.
- ☐ Acknowledgment is made of the claim for priority under 35 U.S.C. 119. The certified copy has [] been received. [] not been received. [] been filed in parent application Serial No. _____, filed on _____.
- ☒ Note the attached Examiner's Amendment.
- ☒ Note the attached Examiner Interview Summary Record, PTOL-413.
- ☒ Note the attached Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance.
- ☐ Note the attached NOTICE OF REFERENCES CITED, PTO-892.
- ☒ Note the attached INFORMATION DISCLOSURE CITATION, PTO-1449.

PART II

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR RESPONSE to comply with the requirements noted below is set to EXPIRE THREE MONTHS FROM THE "DATE MAILED" indicated on this form. Failure to timely comply will result in the ABANDONMENT of this application. Extensions of time may be obtained under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- ☐ Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL APPLICATION, PTO-152, which discloses that the oath or declaration is deficient. A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION IS REQUIRED.
- ☒ APPLICANT MUST MAKE THE DRAWING CHANGES INDICATED BELOW IN THE MANNER SET FORTH ON THE REVERSE SIDE OF THIS PAPER.
 - ☐ Drawing informalities are indicated on the NOTICE RE PATENT DRAWINGS, PTO-948, attached hereto or to Paper No. _____. CORRECTION IS REQUIRED.
 - ☐ The proposed drawing correction filed on _____ has been approved by the examiner. CORRECTION IS REQUIRED.
 - ☐ Approved drawing corrections are described by the examiner in the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT. CORRECTION IS REQUIRED.
 - ☒ Formal drawings are now REQUIRED.

Any response to this letter should include in the upper right hand corner, the following information from the NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE AND ISSUE FEE DUE: ISSUE BATCH NUMBER, DATE OF THE NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE, AND SERIAL NUMBER.

Attachments:

- ☒ Examiner's Amendment
- ☒ Examiner Interview Summary Record, PTOL-413
- ☒ Reasons for Allowance
- ☒ Notice of References Cited, PTO-892
- ☒ Information Disclosure Citation, PTO-1449

- ☐ Notice of Informal Application, PTO-152
- ☐ Notice re Patent Drawings, PTO-948
- ☐ Listing of Bonded Draftsmen
- ☐ Other

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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. Ronald Kransdorf on July 21, 1997.

The application has been amended as follows:

Claims 23 and 28:

~line 3 was deleted and replaced with --a housing;

a transmitter of optical radiation into said housing;--

~at line 4, after "surface", --disposed on the housing-- was inserted
(first occurrence)

~at line 6, after "from said inlet to" was replaced with --through said housing from said

transmitter of optical radiation to --

Claim 30:

~at line 2, after "region", --containing said plurality of hairs-- was inserted

~at line 4, --a portion of-- was inserted between "with" and "the"; and --containing a plurality of hairs-- was inserted between "surface" and "in".

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REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The present invention distinguishes over the prior art of record in that the prior art fails to teach or show of an optical contact device for the removal of a plurality of hairs simultaneously via laser irradiation.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Sonya Harris-Ogugua whose telephone number is (703) 308-2216. The examiner can normally be reached on Mondays-Thursdays from 8:30 am to 6:00 pm.


If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Jennifer Bahr, can be reached on (703) 308-1066. The fax phone number for this Group is (703) 308-3139.

Communications via Internet e-mail regarding this application, other than those under 35 U.S.C. 132 or which otherwise require a signature, may be used by the applicant and should be addressed to [jennifer.bahr@uspto.gov].

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Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the Group receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-0858.



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July 21, 1997



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